

Application No.: 10/612999

Case No.: 56086US012

Remarks

This amendment is in response to the Notice of Allowance dated 08/17/2004 and telephone interview of 11/04/2004. Claims 30 - 104 are pending and allowed. Claims 42, 80, and 104 are currently amended.

Applicants note that the Notice of Allowability indicates that claims 29-104 (corresponding to renumbered claims 1-75) are allowed. However, upon review in preparation of this amendment it was noted that while claims 1-29 were canceled by a Preliminary Amendment mailed 07/02/2003, and that while that Preliminary Amendment requested addition of claims 30-105, only claims 30-104 were presented. It is believed that the claim numbering (non-renumbered) presented in the current amendment is correct, which would correspond to a total of 74 renumbered claims.

In preparing the present Amendment, it was further noted that claims 80 and 104 also contained minor errors of a typographical nature as described below.

Claim 42 has been amended to correct an error in the dependency of that claim.

Claim 80 has been amended to correct an error in the dependency of that claim, and to correct a typographical error wherein the term "ceramic aluminum" should read "ceramic aluminum oxide". Support for the amendment may be found, for example, in current claim 60, and in the specification, for example, on page 12, lines 8-14.

Claim 104 has been amended to correct a typographical error wherein the term "ceramic aluminum" should read "ceramic aluminum oxide". Support for the amendment may be found, for example, in current claim 60, and in the specification, for example, on page 12, lines 8-14.

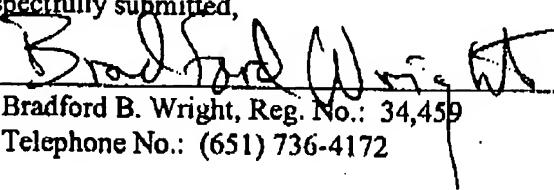
This amendment is being presented at the request of the Examiner.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment.

Please charge any fees due, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

Respectfully submitted,

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